REMARKS

This amendment is being filed prior to payment of the issue fee. Entry of the foregoing amendment is respectfully requested. The amendment is required to correct the dependency of rejoined claims 11 and 18, which originally depended from canceled claims 7 and 15, respectively. The amendment does not change the scope of the claims. Accordingly, entry of the amendment is requested.

Claims 11 and 18 are currently being amended.

This amendment amends claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

It is believed that no fees are due in connection with this Rule 312 amendment. In the event this is not correct, the undersigned authorizes the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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